

## **ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION**

In one aspect, the present invention provides a method for modulating an  
5 Edg-7 receptor mediated biological activity in a cell. A cell expressing the Edg-7  
receptor is contacted with a modulator of the Edg-7 receptor which is capable of  
modulating an Edg-7 receptor mediated biological activity. In another aspect, the  
present invention provides a method for modulating an Edg-7 receptor mediated  
biological activity in a subject. A therapeutically effective amount of a modulator of  
10 the Edg-7 receptor is administered to the subject.